

Attn: Harbor Comments
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Dear fellow human beings,

I have lived, worked and recreated in Portland Oregon since 1998. I recently learned of the EPA's proposed plan to 'clean up' the Portland Harbor. The plan fails to take into account the massive injustice created by the nearly 200 companies that polluted the harbor for decades and doesn't adequately address the need to protect people, fish & wildlife or the river.

- ➡ Current contaminant levels require dredging 1000 acres of river bottom, not the 167 acres proposed
- ➡ During active cleanup, air and water quality monitoring are vital. You are disturbing dangerous contaminants, and while that must be done, the impact needs to be carefully monitored so those living and working nearby aren't compromised further
- ➡ When cleanup is complete, we must insure that fish populations are healthy to the level that current advisories against consumption can be lifted. Anything short of that is unacceptable
- ➡ The government has records of the companies responsible for this environmental disaster: MAKE THEM PAY for the cleanup. It adds insult to injury to have those who have suffered decades of consequences of this pollution to also pay for the crimes these companies have committed
- ➡ It is vital that city, county, state and federal agencies participate and coordinate the clean-up. Communication between agencies is currently not good, time to learn to work together the way the rest of us do

The children, grandchildren and all that come after us will either thank us for doing this work, or curse us for messing it up. Which will it be?

Thank you for listening,


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